



Longridge High School

Excellence and ambition from all, for all

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Dear Parents, Carers,

Year 11 have now completed their GCSE and Cambridge National examinations. These past five years have flown by, and sometimes we forget the impact COVID had on the everyday running of schools and of life in general. This year's year 11-year group were in Year 7 when we had to close schools in March 2020. This must have been such a difficult time for them in terms of settling into high school. With that in mind, we are all so proud of the way they have conducted themselves – they have gone from home learning, to coming back into schools to work in 'bubbles' to the very mature and responsible year group who have now completed their examinations.

Next Monday, they will celebrate their time at Longridge High School at their Leavers' Assembly. Always an emotional afternoon, it will be more so this year, as we remember Joel Shaw, who very sadly passed away in February 2020 following his battle with cancer. An inspirational young man, and a former pupil of Barnacre Road Primary School, Joel left his footprint on all our hearts through his amazing resilience, positivity and being a lovely young man. His memory will be part of The Leavers' Assembly.

Over the next few weeks, pupils will be representing the school, in many events – this includes the Longridge Show on Saturday 7th July where we will have a stand in the community tent. Please pop by and say hello!

On Monday 1st July we will welcome Year 6 pupils to Longridge High School, for their Year 6 Induction Day. Their parents/ carers will be coming into school at 6pm that evening to meet key staff and form tutors.

I am delighted to say we are having a Summer Performing Arts' show on Wednesday 10th July – this is going to be a fabulous evening, so please save the date!

Following that on Friday 12th July we have Sports' Awards' Evening – rearranged so as not to clash with the possibility of any England football matches.....

As always, your support is very much appreciated. If you wish to discuss any aspect of life here at Longridge High School, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Best wishes, Jane Green, Headteacher



Our brilliant staff raising money for brilliant charities!

Mr Wright continues to raise money for CRY which saw him pedal 140 miles around the Yorkshire Dales. He raised over £600. Sports' Awards is also sponsoring CRY this year.

Mrs Gibson and Miss Mason raised over £800 for Macmillan Cancer Support walking 26 miles round Ullswater in the very cold and wet English summer.



I did the Lake District Mighty Hike



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Mediterranean Watersports Trip 2024

During the May half-term, 39 Year 10 pupils and 5 staff members embarked on an exciting watersports school trip to Costa Brava, Spain. The group travelled by coach and ferry, marking the start of an unforgettable adventure. Highlights included a full day of sightseeing in the vibrant city of Barcelona and an exhilarating day at a waterpark. Over the course of the trip, the students engaged in a variety of thrilling activities such as banana boating, paddleboarding, snorkelling, scuba diving, kayaking, beach volleyball, football, climbing, archery, and team games. The trip also featured a pool party and a disco, ensuring a fantastic time for everyone. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed themselves, making it a memorable experience for all.



YEAR 10 STEP UP!

Year 10 recently completed a week of work experience and received extremely positive feedback from a full range of employers. Work experience is extremely important for young people, and we are very grateful to employers for giving them this experience. This marks the transition to Year 11 for the year group, as they now become the school's senior pupils.

Following the appointment of the Head and Deputy Head Prefects, 12 pupils were appointed to the position of Senior Prefect and 27 were appointed as Prefect to complete the Pupil Leadership Team. The full team took part in Prefect training on Monday 10th June which was delivered by a guest speaker from Preston College. The training was informative and interactive, and pupils came out with a good understanding of the role and responsibilities of a Prefect. All the pupils who have been selected as Prefects are excellent role models and will closely work with Mr Wright to support other pupils, the staff body and the wider school community in a variety of capacities, including at school and community events throughout the year.



Sports Day 2024

On Thursday 13th July we held our annual Inter-house Sports Day. Despite the poor weather, we managed to complete the event with all competitors thoroughly enjoying the day! The conduct of all competitors was excellent and sporting behaviour was displayed all day, alongside a healthy competitive spirit. A huge well done to everyone who took part and congratulations to Parlick who were crowned champions and retain the Sports Day trophy!



Volcanic eruptions!

The Science Department recently ran an exploding volcano competition for pupils across the school. This was run as a House competition and pupils had to make a model volcano which, when acid, alkali and jelly granules were added, resulted in a series of colorful explosions. Pupils also had to put together a presentation outlining why these chemicals caused the volcanoes to explode.

Bella and Beth, representing Parlick House, were the winners, with Mila (Parlick House), Tyler (Beacon House) and Kwabena (Fair Snape) all coming in as worthy runners up.

The Science Department were extremely happy with the standard of entry and the level of understanding shown as to why volcanoes explode.

